

OUTSTANDING PRODUCTS: by Mike Nesbitt

Jamison .45/110 & .45/120 Brass On Sale

Here's a good deal! C. Sharps Arms is so well stocked with new empty Jamison brass for the .45/110 and .45/120 that a sale is being offered for these cases only. This brass, of course, is for the .45-2 7/8ths and the .45-3 1/4 inch long Sharps cartridges, just to identify them both ways. Cases are head-stamped with ".45-110 Sharps" or ".45-120 Sharps" and "JBA" for Jamison Brass & Ammo instead of like the loaded cartridge shown in the photo. The sale price for this brass is \$40 per 20 cases or \$185 for 100 cases plus postage. To take advantage of this sale just contact C. Sharps Arms, P.O. Box 885, Big Timber, Montana 59011 or call them at 406-932-4353. You can also inquire about the brass on sale by email at info@csharpsarms.com.



NEW AMMO FROM JAMISON



Jamison Brass & Ammunition very recently announced that they are offering loaded ammunition for the Winchester Model 1876 cartridges. Those, as Winchester students know well, are the .40/60 WCF, the .45/60, the .45/75, and the big .50/95 WCF. I haven't personally had the opportunity to shoot any of these loadings, mainly from the lack of having a Model 1876, but I can tell you a few things about them.

First of all, these cartridges are available as loaded rounds or as new empty brass. One factor that might steer you to get the brass instead of loaded ammo is the fact that these historical black powder cartridges are being loaded with smokeless powder by Jamison. The ammo is being loaded to black powder ballistics but for the sake of safety Jamison is recommending that their loaded ammo be fired only in modern reproductions of the old '76 Winchester, made with modern steels. To shoot an old original Winchester, first be sure the rifle can safely be fired, then get some Jamison brass for the old cannon and load it with black powder. Jamison included the cartridges for the '76 Winchester in their "Legacy Grade Ammunition" which is loaded to recreate original factory performance for old favorites and new reproductions. This ammunition is designed to keep classic and obsolete cartridges useful and alive.

A little can be said about each of the four cartridges. **Loads for 40/60, 45/60, 45/75, and 50/95** Beginning with the .40/60, this is loaded with a .406" diameter 210 grain lead bullet from Bandits which is the flat point style, made for tubular magazines. The bullet has a velocity of 1,475 fps and 1,015 foot/pounds of energy, tested in a 26" barrel.



A view of the new Jamison ammunition box and the "JBA" headstamps

The .45/60 ammo is loaded with a .456" diameter cast lead bullet weighing 300 grains, again with a flat point. This cartridge has an average velocity of 1,200 fps and generates 955 ft/lbs from a 26" barrel.

Their .45/75 Winchester ammunition uses a .458" diameter cast lead bullet of 350 grains, flat pointed. This load generates the same velocity as the .45/60 but with the heavier bullet to boost the energy up to 1,120 foot/pounds, again from a 26" barrel.

The big .50/95 wins the power race by throwing a .511" diameter cast lead 350 grain flat nosed bullet out of the 26" barrel at 1,360 feet per second carrying an energy of 1,320 foot pounds.



All of these loaded cartridges are available in 20-round boxes and they are priced from \$56.75 per box for the .40/60s to \$66.00 for the .50/95s. And, again, new brass for these cartridges is also being offered. To check on availability and prices for the brass asked your favorite dealer (such as Buffalo Arms Co.) or take a quick peek at the listing on the Captech International/Jamison web site at www.captechintl.com/products.

And let me point out that the ammunition for the '76 Winchester is not the only thing new at Jamison. They are also making ammunition for the old .25/20 Single Shot along with the brass and that should be very welcome news to some shooters. In addition to that, ammunition is being made for several revolver loads, mainly with Cowboy Action shooting in mind. A few of the other old classic cartridges are being loaded again too and while those won't be named here, they are worthy of a good look just because it is so nice to see them again.

Perhaps soon we will be taking a look at some ammunition by Jamison for the .45 Colt and the .44/40 but that will be in an edition to come. Once again, **this ammunition is being loaded with smokeless powder and should be used only in firearms suitable for smokeless loads.** Jamison emphasizes that, so we will too.